



SPAY AND NEUTER ADVISORY BOARD

The Spay and Neuter Advisory Board was appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture. The Board provided advice on how the Fund should be administered; how competitive grants should be solicited and evaluated; and what information MDA should require from local animal shelters and other animal qualifying animal welfare organization. The Board also provided recommendations to the guidelines and regulations needed to implement the state's Spay and

Neuter Fund, which was established by the Maryland General Assembly during the 2013 Legislative Session as a new program within the Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA).

In addition the Board provides a review of all proposals and their recommendations on project approvals.

Members of the Advisory Board, appointed by the Agriculture Secretary, are:

- **Dr. Amy Carney**, an experienced veterinarian and advocate, representing veterinarians;
- **Robin Catlett**, Administrator of Anne Arundel County Animal Control, representing a local animal control agency;
- **John Flowers**, a surgery technician in the Maryland SPCA Spay and Neuter Clinic, representing a private animal shelter;
- **Kurt Gallagher**, Director of Communications and Export Development for the Pet Food Institute, representing the pet food industry;
- **Amy Hanigan**, attorney and private business consultant, one of two members representing an animal welfare advocacy organization;
- **Patrick McMillan**, MDA Assistant Secretary for Marketing, Animal Industries and Consumer Services, representing the Secretary; and
- **Tami Santelli**, Assistant Legislative Counsel, Animal Protection Litigation with the Humane Society of the U.S., one of two members representing an animal welfare advocacy organization.